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Distillates

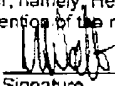
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED OCTOBER 29, 2001

In response to the Office Action dated October 29, 2001, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on January 29, 2002, please enter the following amendments and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

4. A method for purifying motor oil, comprising:
mixing the motor oil with a phase transfer catalyst;
mixing the motor oil with a solvent to dissolve contaminants from the motor oil into the solvent; and then
separating the solvent from the motor oil.